

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Cechan (nmi) Tian et al.
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Confirmation No. 4253
Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR COMMUNICATING
 TRAFFIC BETWEEN OPTICAL RINGS

MAIL STOP: AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the Office Action mailed November 28, 2006, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the comments set forth below.